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Serial No. 09/077,010

Filed: January 25, 2001

For: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR
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Examiner: Le, Dieu Minh T.
Group Art Unit: 2184

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

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In response to the Office Action mailed October 27, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1, 9 and 14 are amended and claims 1-20 remain in the application. Re-examination and reconsideration of the application, as amended, are requested.

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